

The Insider

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Love to Learn; Learn to Live; Live to Love.

Inspection headlines

Pupils make good progress during their time at school. A well-taught and broad curriculum ensures that most pupils work at or above age-related expectations.

Staff, parents and pupils speak warmly about the changes made to the school. Most staff are infected with the same desire to do their best for all pupils. They work very hard to achieve this.

A varied and interesting curriculum gives pupils ample opportunities to study a broad range of subjects. Pupils enjoy a rich diet of activities outside of lessons...

Many teachers balance the development of pupils' subject knowledge, skills for learning and positive attitudes very skilfully. They blend the lesson objectives with the development of 'superhero learning traits' and promote pupils' understanding of the 'fruits of faith'.

The full report is available at: http://www.walkwoodms.worcs.sch.uk/Content/files/87ed-Walkwood% 202018.pdf

Ofsted

The school has an impressive climate for learning. Pupils' contributions in lessons are often thoughtful, sensitive and articulate.

The governing body has an estimable set of skills and brings a sharp perspective to the work of the school. It is aware of its responsibilities and is determined to improve the school further.

Pupils in the school feel safe. They know whom to turn to if they encounter any difficulty. They are confident about raising any issues they have.

Bullying is rare. It is taken seriously and dealt with firmly if it does occur.

Pupils are supported carefully when they arrive at the school. Effective liaison between most local schools helps to ensure that pupils settle into school well.

During their time at school, pupils develop into confident, hardworking and articulate pupils.

They acquire good social skills, develop tolerance of others and are resilient.



Dear God,

I arise today, through
God's strength to pilot me,
God's might to uphold me,
God's wisdom to guide me,
God's eye to look before me,
God's ear to hear me,
God's word to speak for me,
God's hand to guard me,
God's shield to protect me,
God's host to save me from snares
of devils, from temptation and
from everyone who shall wish me
ill, afar and near.
Amen.

This week's theme was:

St Patrick

If I have any worth, it is to live my life for God so as to teach these peoples; even though some of them still look down on me.

St Patrick

Whole School Attendance - 95.32%

Whole School Target – 95.6%

26.02.18—02.03.18

Year 5 — 96.16%

Year 6 — 96.40%

Year 7 — 94.77%

Year 8 — 93.39%















For the week ahead



For the week ahead					
The Fruit of Fai	th Tolerance	ing tolerant	Be always humble, gentle, and patient. Show your love by being tolerant with one another. Ephesians 4:2		
The tutor grou	p Acceptance	All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. John 6:37			
The assembly theme:	Free Speech	Do not take to heart all the things that people say, lest you hear your servant cursing you. Your heart knows that many times you yourself have cursed others. Ecclesiastes 7:21-22			
	We ask your thoughts and prayers in the week ahead for:				
The weekend	All the mothers that celebrated this Sund	•	Monday	The homeless community in Redditch	
Tuesday	The continued rehe 'Seussical the Music		Wednesday	The prime minster as she makes decisions for the future	
Thursday	Those that are parti sports representing		Friday	Equality within all educational oc- cupations.	



Year 8 Wales Trip to Snowdonia

[22nd - 25th June 2018]

Thank you to all parents/carers for paying the £50 deposit for the Year 8 Wales Trip and for those parents who have paid more than the £50 deposit required.

Just to remind you that the following payments need to be made:

2nd payment of £100 required by Friday 9th March 2018.

Final payment of £120 required by Friday 4th May 2018.

Smaller, more frequent payments can be made as long as the totals above are paid by the dates stated.

If you have any further queries regarding the trip, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Nearer the time I will be holding an information evening where you will be given a kit list and all other necessary information.

Mr P Jenkin (Trip Organiser)





Living and Learning Together



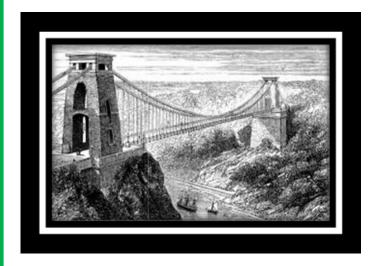


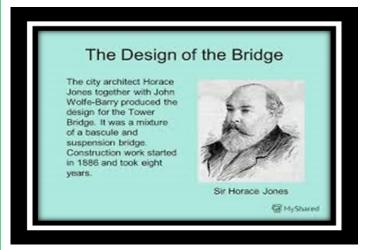
Walkwood has a policy called 'Living and Learning Together' which covers aspects of behaviour as well as conduct of pupils connected to school. It is available, with our other policies, on the website, with the link being:

http://www.walkwoodms.worcs.sch.uk/Content/files/7246-Living%20and%20Learning%20Together% 202017.pdf

Science Club

In Science club this week we revisited stem learning - **S**cience **T**echnology **E**ngineering and **M**athematics. The children were given a task of building a bridge strong enough to support a car (100 gram mass). Engineers are needed in a diverse range of fields and projects and this task provided the opportunity to engage in a challenging activity that entailed creative thinking and practical skills.











Year 6 Yorkshire Trip

(Friday 18th May—Monday 21st May 2018)

Thank you to all parents/carers for paying the £50 deposit for the Year 6 Yorkshire Trip.

Just to remind you that the following payments need to be made:

2nd payment of £110 was required by 1st February, 2018 Final payment of £110 is required by 1st March, 2018

The total cost of the trip is £270.

Mr N Sanders Trip Organiser







Contacting the School

You can contact the school via phone or by email through the website, but please allow 48 hours for staff to respond.



Hockey and Rugby College Matches

The PE department run college matches twice a year, where pupils participate in a sporting activity against the other colleges in the school. Points are awarded to teams and these then go towards the college sports total at the end of the year.

College matches take place during lesson time where a whole year group will come down to PE at once. This may mean your child has two PE lessons that week and so will need to bring their kit in on two days.

Monday 19 th March	Lesson 2 and 3	Year 7
Monday 19 th March	Lesson 4 and 5	Year 6
Tuesday 20 th March	Lesson 2 and 3	Year 8
Wednesday 21 st March	Lesson 2 and 3	Year 5



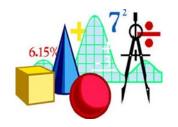
Please can you make sure pupils have correct PE kit for the following days. It is recommended that girls wear shin pads for Hockey and boys have boots and a gum shield (for 7/8 only due to tackling) for Rugby.

Thanks,

PE Department







Year 6 Maths Revision Sessions

From January, the Maths department will be running revision sessions for Year 6 pupils to support them with their SATs in May. Pupils can decide which sessions they would benefit from. All Year 6 pupils have been given the timetable below so that they can select which sessions to attend.

Pupils will be award with an EPraise point for each session they attend. If pupils attend 15 sessions or more they will be awarded with the 'Commitment to Maths SATs' Epraise Achievement Badge.

Pupils should bring a packed lunch or meal deal to the relevant room at the start of lunchtime.

Date	Teacher and	Topic
	room	·
Tuesday 9 th January	SWa - Room 4	Calculating missing angles
Thursday 11 th January	NSa - Room 8	Rounding
Tuesday 16 th January	SWe - Room 4	Order of operations
Thursday 18 th January	LCu - Room 5	Properties of numbers-factors, primes, multiples
Tuesday 23 rd January	LTh - Room 6	Ordering and comparing numbers
Thursday 25 th January	CLo - Room 6	2D shapes including circles and 3D shapes
Tuesday 30 th January	DBr - Room 5	Translation and reflection
Thursday 1 st February	NSa - Room 8	Negative numbers
Tuesday 6 th February	LTh - Room 6	Place value, including x and / by 10,100 & 1000.
Thursday 8 th February	LCu - Room 5	Units of measure and converting them
Tuesday 13 th February	DBr - Room 5	Measures word problems
Thursday 15 th February	LCu - Room 5	Interpreting graphs
Tuesday 27 th February	CLo - Room 6	Interpreting tables and mean
Thursday 1 st March	LCu - Room 5	Percentages of amounts
Tuesday 6 th March	SWe - Room 4	Comparing & ordering fractions (decimals and %)
Thursday 8 th March	HMa - Room 6	Equivalent fractions and simplifying fractions
Tuesday 13 th March	LTh - Room 6	Equivalent fractions/decimals and %'s
Thursday 15 th March	HMa - Room 6	Volume
Tuesday 20 th March	DBr - Room 5	Area of rectangles, triangles and parallelograms
Thursday 22 nd March	NSa - Room 8	Perimeter
Tuesday 27 th March	SWa - Room 4	Co-ordinates
Thursday 29 th March	TTo – Room 5	Algebra
Tuesday 17 th April	TTo – Room 5	+ and – fractions
Thursday 19 th April	LCu - Room 5	X and / fractions
Tuesday 24 th April	SWa – Room 4	Written X, including decimals
Thursday 26 th April	HMa – Room 6	Written division, including decimals
Tuesday 1 st May	TTo – Room 5	Written + and -, including decimals
Thursday 3 rd May	LCu - Room 5	Using the inverse
Tuesday 8 th May	CLo - Room 6	Word problems involving all operations
Thursday 10 th May	LCu - Room 5	Time problems and timetables





Year 6 English Revision Sessions

From January the English department will be running revision sessions for Year 6 pupils to support you with your SATs in May. You can decide which sessions you would benefit from. Your English teacher will then award you with a merit on Epraise for each session you have attended. If you attend 15 sessions, you will be awarded a 'Commitment to English SATs' Achievement Badge on Epraise. You should bring a packed lunch or meal deal to the relevant room at the start of lunchtime.

Date	Teacher/Rm	Topic
Wednesday 10 th January	MJO R18	Prefix/suffix/root words
Friday 12 th January	MJO R18	Conjunctions subordinating & coordinating
Wednesday 17 th January	TPO R18	Sentence types (command, exclamation, question, statement)
Friday 19 th January	RSH R15	Verb subject object
Wednesday 24 th January	LBA R19	Colons to introduce a list or another clause
Friday 26 th January	ZBI R18	Semi-colons to separate longer items in a list
Wednesday 31 st January	NHU R15	Adverbs of time
Friday 2 nd February	AGA R17	Semi-colons to separate main clauses
Wednesday 7 th February	PCO R16	Inverted commas and their functions
Friday 9 th February	CJO R16	Progressive tenses
Wednesday 14 th February	TPO R18	Hyphens and their uses
Friday 16 th February	RSH R15	Commas to mark clauses
Wednesday 28 th February	LBA R19	Modal verbs
Friday 2 nd March	AGA R17	Reading: making an inference
Wednesday 7 th March	MJO R18	Standard English
Friday 9 th March	ZBI R18	Relative clauses
Wednesday 14 th March	MJO R18	Pronouns & possessive pronouns
Friday 16 th March	CJO R16	Determiners
Wednesday 21 st March	TPO R18	Simple forms of past, present & future tenses
Friday 23 th March	CJO R18	Adverbs of place
Wednesday 28 th March	LBA R19	Main & subordinate clauses
Wednesday 18 th April	NHU R15	Apostrophes for possession
Friday 20 th April	ZBI R18	Synonyms & antonyms
Wednesday 25 th April	PCO R16	Reading: making a prediction
Friday 27 th April	TPO R18	Adverbs of manner
Wednesday 2 nd May	CJO R16	Subjunctive form
Friday 4 th May	RSH R15	Active & passive voice
Wednesday 9 th May	RBR R16	Contractions
Friday 11 th May	LST R16	Reading: retrieving relevant information

Top Readers for 8th February 2018 - 8th March 2018



Congratulations to:

Top Girl

Enya Hussain (Year 7 - BCLO) - who has read an incredible 840,319 words

Top Boy

Kelby Harrison (Year 8 - MMMG) - who has read a fantastic 465,708 words

Keep reading Walkwood, next week it could be YOU

Here is the link to enable pupils to do a quiz at home https://ukhosted23.renlearn.co.uk/2250823







Afterschool rehearsals - 3:30-5:15 in the Hall.

Tuesday 13^h March – WHOLE CAST – EVERYONE

Thursday 15th March - WHOLE CAST - EVERYONE





Important Information/Dates:

- A reminder that Tuesday and Thursday after school rehearsals will finish at the slightly later time of 5:15pm.
- There will be an important final dress rehearsal for everyone to attend on **Sunday 25**th **March. This will start at 2pm and finish at approx 5:30pm.** This will be for a final run through of the whole show.
- Other information for the cast will be given out to them nearer the time.

Performances/Tickets:

- Performances are on Monday 26th, Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th March at 7:30pm.
- Tickets cost £5.00 each
- Tickets are now on sale!!!
 Tickets are available at lunchtime from Mrs Cull/Mrs Timmins in the Humanities area or via contacting the school office.

Costumes:

- All performers will have been spoken to about their costumes and a lot of work has been going on behind the scenes to organise these.
- If your child is providing part of their costume then this needs to have been brought into school in a plastic bag, with their name clearly on the front and taken to Mrs Harris/Mrs Minton in the textiles room.
- All costumes should now be in school, so that we can see what else we need to provide/supply for children.

Production Team

Mrs C Griffiths. Ms Tomes, Miss Cowles.



Trips and Visits 2017 - 18



DATE	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	OPEN TO	COST	LEADER
May					
Fri 18—Mon 21	Outward Bound	Yorkshire	Y6	£ 270	Mr Sanders
June					
Wed 20—Fri 22	Arts and Theatres	London	Y8	£ 280	Rev Leach
Fri 22—Mon 25	Outward Bound	Wales	Y8	£ 270	Mr Jenkin
Fri 22— Mon 25	Outward Bound	Brecon Beacons	Y5	£ 155	Mr Macdonald / Mrs Cull



Clubs and Activities Spring Term 1 2018 starting 9th January 2018



	Before School	Lunchtime	After School
	7:45am – 8:45am	12.35 – 1.20pm	3:30pm – 4:45pm
Monday	Homework Club Library	KS3 Art club starting 18 th September (ECO)	Homework Club Library 3.30–4.30pm
	Orchestra Music Room 8.45-9.30am (CGR)	Monday lunchtime DT block Movie club all years (AMI)	Indoor Sports Club (benchball, bench hockey, dodgeball, seated volley
		Gardening Club Textiles room At the start of lunch (STA)	ball mixture) all years 3-30-4-45pm (DPA and NFR)
		Maths Club for KS2 and KS3 Room 6 (HBA and LTH)	
Tuesday	Homework Club Library	DT Club in DT block All years (AMI)	Homework Club Library 3.30–4.30pm
		KS2 Art Club Art Room (ECO) Card making club (invite only) Art Room (STA)	Year 5/6 Science club 3.30-4.30pm Lab 1 JHD Starts 12 th September Seussical the Musical Rehearsal 3.30-5.15pm Hall (TTO, CGR, ECO)
			Year 5 Boys Football 3.30-4.45pm (SWa) Until Easter
Wednesday	Homework Club Library	Signing Club (All year groups) Textiles Room JHA Silent Reading Club Room 19 (LBA)	Homework Club Library 3.30–4.30pm Cooking Club 3.30–4.45pm (DSL) (rota of when you are cooking will be confirmed)
		'Colouring for Mindfulness' Club on Wednesdays, Room 9, from 12.50-1.20pm (MMG, PCO)	8 and 7 Boys Basketball (CHU/SWA) 3.30-4.45pm
			KS2 Netball Club 3.30-4.45pm (KRE/HTR) Until Easter

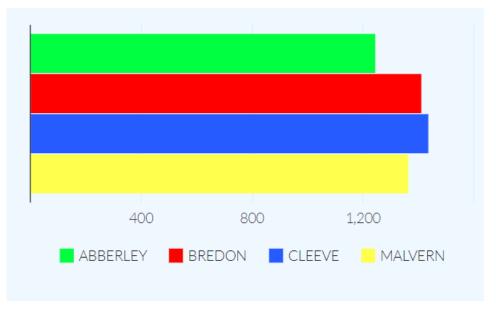


Clubs and Activities Spring Term 1 2018 starting 9th January 2018 (continued)



Thursday	Homework Club Library	Choir (all year groups) Music Room 12.50-1.20pm (CGR)	Homework Club Library 3.30–4.30pm
		Green Ambassadors Club All years Week 2 only 12.35 – if you need a lunch pass collect from MBI	Seussical the Musical Rehearsal 3.30-5.15pm Hall (TTO, CGR, ECO)
Friday	Homework Club Library	EAL club Friday lunch time (the first Friday of every month). Starts 5 th January in the LRC with ZBi For anyone who speaks English as an additional language and your friends. Bring your lunch along.	Homework Club Library 3.30–4.30pm Rec Football all years 3.30-4.45pm Until Easter KS3 Netball Club 3.30-4.45pm Until Easter

Epraise UpdatePoints This Week: By College



Top Ten Points Scorers

- 1. Benj Whitehouse (ALBA) (24)
- 2. laiba Rahouf (CCMI) (21)
- 3. Grace Fletcher (CCMI) (20)
- 3. O Nathan Smyth (BHLI) (20)
- 3. O Samantha Goode (CCHU) (20)
- 6. Harry Thompson (CCMI) (19)
- 6. DElliot Hill (BHLI) (19)
- 8. Danny Price (MKRE) (18)
- 8. Charlie Harris (ALBA) (18)
- 8. O Adrian Lyszcz (CCMI) (18)



Looking ahead



	Date	Event
	Monday 26 - Wednesday 28 March	School Production
2	Thursday 29 March	End of term
0	Monday 16 April	First day of the Summer Term
U	Wednesday 16 May	Y5 Brecon Beacons information evening 6.30 pm
1	Monday 28 May—Friday 1 June	Half-Term
Q	Monday 4 June	Staff Development Day
0	Thursday 7 June	Y5 & Y7 Parents' Evening 4.00—7.00 pm
	Wednesday 13 June	Y5 & Y7 Parents' Evening 4.00—7.00 pm
	Monday 9 July	Parent Focus group 6 pm
	Tuesday 24 July	End of Term
	Monday 3 & Tuesday 4 September	Staff Development Days
	Wednesday 5 September	First day of the Autumn Term
	Friday 26 October	Staff Development Day
	Monday 29 Oct to Friday 2 November	Half term
	Friday 21 December	End of Term

2	Monday 7 January	Staff Development Day
0	Tuesday 8 January	First day of the Spring Term
	Monday 18—Friday 22 February	Half Term
1	Friday 12 April	End of Term
9	Monday 29 April	First day of the Summer Term
	Monday 27—Friday 31 May	Half Term
	Friday 19 July	End of Term